



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Group Art Unit: **1634**

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Examiner: **Goldberg, J.**

For: **ASSAY FOR METHYLATION IN THE GST-Pi GENE**

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2002, in the above-identified application for which a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee, is attached, making response due on or before February 6, 2003.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees necessary for the continued pendency of the above-identified application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 15 and 45.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Amended) A diagnostic or prognostic assay for a cancer in a subject, said cancer characterized by abnormal methylation of cytosine at at least one CpG site in a target

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